

REMARKS

Reconsideration of all the claims now in the application (i.e., Claims 1, 4-22) is respectfully requested in view of the foregoing amendments and the following remarks.

Initially, Applicant wishes to thank Examiner Jacyna for the indication of allowability of original Claims 2, 6 and 8 if rewritten in independent form including all the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. By this amendment, Applicant has incorporated the subject matter of Claim 2 (now cancelled) into original Claim 1 and the remaining original dependent claims (Claims 4-9) are now dependent upon this currently amended independent Claim 1 so as to place these claims in condition for allowance. Claim 1 has also been amended to provide antecedent basis for the upper and lower portions of the electromagnetic apparatus. Original Claim 3 has been cancelled to overcome the Section 112 rejection.

In addition, original Claims 6 and 8 have been rewritten as new independent Claims 10 and 17. A total of twelve new claims, 10-16 and 17-22 have been added to the application to cover the subject matter of Claims 6 and 8 indicated as being allowable by the Examiner. In particular, new independent Claim 10 combines the subject matter of original Claims 1 and 6, and new independent Claim 17 combines the subject matter of original Claims 1 and 8. Since new Claims 10 and 17 are allowable, all new claims dependent thereon are also allowable.

With respect to the Examiner's objection to Claim 6 as misspelling the word "the", Applicant has corrected this grammatical error as well as other misspellings in the original claims.

REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Finally, Applicant hereby requests a one-month extension of time to respond to the outstanding Office Action. A PTO-2038 form in the amount of \$60.00 is enclosed herewith for the official fee associated therewith. In the event of any deficiency for the required amount for an extension of time, please debit Deposit Account No. 07-0130.

CONCLUSION

Applicant respectfully submits that all pending claims, as amended, are now in condition for allowance. If the Examiner has any further questions or comments relating to this application, he is respectfully requested to contact Applicant's attorney at the phone number set forth below.

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